



WASHINGTON STATE DEPARTMENT OF
Natural Resources

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DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE

Description of proposal: See attached page 2

This non-project proposal will be used to review revision of older,
poor-quality surface mine reclamation plans per
provision in RCW 78.44.

Proponent: Washington Department of Natural Resources

Location of proposal, including street address, if any: Nonproject proposal - See attached
Form D (Pages 18-20).

Non-project actions used for locations throughout the state of WA.

Lead agency: Washington Department of Natural Resources

The lead agency for this proposal has determined that it does not have a probable significant adverse impact on the environment. An environmental impact statement (EIS) is not required under RCW 43.21C.030(2)(c). This decision was made after review of a completed environmental checklist and other information on file with the lead agency. This information is available to the public on request.

☐ There is no comment period for this DNS.

☒ This DNS is issued under WAC 197-11-340(2); the lead agency will not act on this proposal for 15 days from Dec 29 1995. Comments must be submitted by Jan 16 1996.

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There is no agency SEPA appeal.

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Description of this Nonproject Proposal:

This checklist and threshold determination of nonsignificance is for reviewing revisions to some types of older, poor-quality, surface-mine reclamation plans. This proposal will result in improved reclamation as specified in RCW 78.44.091 through 78.44.141. It will reduce the number of mining operations that will be reclaimed according to poor-quality older-generation plans under a grandfathering provision in RCW 78.44. This checklist is applicable to revised reclamation plans that will result in:

- (a) Flatter slopes,
- (b) More sinuous, rounded topography,
- (c) Improved successional revegetation,
- (d) New wetlands, lakes, and/or drainages,
- (e) Topsoil/synthetic soil budgets and restoration,
- (f) Fill spotting, and compaction plans,
- (g) Rough natural-appearing cliffs [where permissible under state and local law],
- (h) Creating or enhancing fish and wildlife habitat,
- (i) Developing rough natural-appearing cliffs [where permissible under state and local law], and/or
- (j) Providing for segmental phased reclamation.

This checklist will not be used for proposals to revise reclamation plans that require any of the following approvals:

- (a) A rezone, modification of the approved subsequent use, mine-expansion, or other land-use determination of any local governments with jurisdiction,
- (b) A shorelines permit [RCW 90.58],
- (c) A metal mining permit [RCW 78.56], or
- (d) State water allocation laws [RCW 90.03, 90.44].